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Senate Concurrent Resolution

No. 14

Introduced by Senator Runner

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Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 14—Relative to California Space Day.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 14, as amended, Runner. Satellite industry.

This measure would acknowledge the growth and contributions of the satellite industry to California, urge the public to recognize the growth of this sector as an important economic and job creation engine that deserves to be nurtured and encouraged to remain and expand in California, and recognize April 12, 2005, as California

Space Day, in special recognition of how the satellite industry has found a consumer market and is improving the lives of our citizens.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, The satellite industry has been the largest and
2 fastest growing segment of the overall space industry, having
3 tripled in size from over \$15 billion in 1996 to over \$49 billion in
4 2002, according to a recent statistics study of the Satellite
5 Industries Association; and

6 WHEREAS, California's share of this global market is
7 approximately 20 percent, and it is forecasted to be over 30
8 percent by 2010; and

9 WHEREAS, Transmission from more than 3,500 satellites
10 currently orbiting in operation above the earth's atmosphere are
11 increasingly making a greater contribution to the everyday lives
12 of consumers and transforming our world into a truly global
13 neighborhood; and

14 WHEREAS, Satellite technology is an enabler and partner with
15 many other key California industries such as information
16 technology, telecommunications, entertainment, environmental
17 studies, and agricultural management; and

18 WHEREAS, Average citizens are using satellite based global
19 positioning systems to map themselves to destinations, while
20 businesses are using the same systems to manage trucking fleets
21 and railroad cars; and

22 WHEREAS, Scientists are using remote earth sensing satellites
23 to monitor erosion and environmental degradation, and for ocean
24 and forest management; and

25 WHEREAS, Average American families across the country are
26 enjoying television and radio programming brought to them
27 through direct satellite broadcasting; and

28 WHEREAS, Farmers use satellites to monitor animal herds and
29 to manage crop moisture and pest infestation; and

30 WHEREAS, Many other applications of satellite technology
31 are being used each and every day; now, therefore, be it

32 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
33 *thereof concurring,* That the Legislature acknowledges the
34 growth and contributions of the satellite industry to California
35 and urges the public to recognize the growth of this sector as an
36 important economic and job creation engine that deserves to be

1 nurtured and encouraged to remain and expand in California; and
2 be it further
3 *Resolved*, That the Legislature recognizes April 12, 2005, as
4 California Space Day, in special recognition of how the satellite
5 industry has found a consumer market and is improving the lives
6 of our citizens; and be it further
7 *Resolved*, That suitable copies of this resolution be provided to
8 the author for appropriate distribution.

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